Good news from home, good news for me, Has come across the deep blue sea, From friends that I have left in tears, From friends that I have not seen for years And since we parted long ago,
My life has been a scene of woe;
But now a joyful hour has come,
For I have heard good news from home

No father's near to guide me now, No mother's tear to soothe my brow, No sister's voice falls on mine ear, No brother's voice to give me cheer; But though I wander far away, My heart is full of joy to-day. My friends across the ocean foam, Have sent to me good news from home

When shall I see that cottage door, Where I've spent years of joy before? 'Twas then I knew no grief or care— My heart was always happy there; Though I may never see it more, Or stand upon my native shere, Where'er on earth I'm doomed to roam, My heart will always cling to home.

The Dred Scott Decision in Practice.

Slamming the last door of the first car and opening that of the second, the "gentlemanly conductor" of the New York train made his appearance with his bow and smile, and, "tickets, gentlemen, if you please!"

Seated in the front corner, surrounded by her personal conveniences, such as a carpet bag, umbrella, big bundle, little bundle, a few apples and pieces of cake, was a colored lady, whose face, the color of an inverted sauce-pan, contrasting with her snow-white ivory and eye-balls, gave that pleasing African expression which is so often the type of humor and good nature.

"Ticket, ma'am," says our conductor, with a civility regardless of

"Hasn't got 'em," she replied, " but I'se got money, any way;" and she began to fumble in her bag, then in her bundles, searching these articles through in vain.

"Come hurry up !" exclaimed her now slightly impatient friend; "I can't wait all day.

"Bress yer sonl, yer don't think I can find everything in a minute; but I'se got money somewhar-must be in this yeah cawpet bag," and she felt in her pocket accodingly for the key."

"Well, well, I'll pass through, and when I get back perhaps you will have it ready."

"Yes, sartin," said Dinah; but as he passed along she reached out her umbrella, and giving him a poke on the shoulder, asked,

"What you gwoin to charge for "Freight! what do you want to

know that for ?"

"'Cause I does; I'se civil, ain't I ?" "Well, five cents a foot; there, don't bother me any more, but find your money;" and he went his way.

There seemed to be a peculiar mouth, as the one rolled around in its black sea of flesh, and the other opened to give vent to an involun-tary "yah! ha!"

It was not long before she found her purse, and withdrew some coin, which she kept jingling in her hand, and she kept up her occasional cachinations.

In due time the conductor returned for his money, and upon extending his itching palm, was somewhat astonished at receiving the precise sum of ten cents.

"Yas, yas, I knows dat, for white folks-folks wat am folks-but Pse nobody ; I se freight, I is. Yah, yah ! Poor rule as don't work bof ways ; five cents a foot heah dey is !" said with every body else, but quiet with she, presenting a pair of enormous you; if he be anxious to see if your ambulators for the inspection of the teabe sufficiently sweetened, and your conductor and us all.

undetermined for a moment among and never looks you steadily in the the shouts of the passengers, until an eye, it is enough. If he romps with ides of compromise occurred to him, your sister, sighs like a pair of old as he exclaimed :-

yourself off into the baggage car." much for him, as she exclaimed :-- you may go ahead, and make the

you want to cair um off !" This settled the point. The conductor vanished, and Dinah effered a

pious ejeculation : " Lord bress dat ar' 'Preme Court, and gin 'em credit for five dollar bill, any way !"-Boston Courier.

A friend in speaking of Kan-

"If you call a physician, he generally relieves you, if not of your

th 'a 'ahems' and a 'ha' I paid, in Ar ast last, twenty-seven dollars." A young lady in Charleston, S. C., committed suicide because her ver kissed her on the cheek at partig instead of the lips, as usual. He and never been so "cruel," she said,

it that account. oy, never wanted by

From the Newbury port (Mass.) Herald. Who Marry and have Children in America.

More th. n four-sevenths of the marriages in Massachusetts are among to deeper and more destructive social in Europe. And making proper althousands of cases you can change read more truthfully. We boast of our system of educa-

they can sing, dance, play pianos, They make splendid shows on bridal prived of a source of much happitours, can coquette and flirt at the ness. watering places, and shine like anare they at washing floors? Oh, we good. forgot; nobody has bare-floors now: are they at making bread and boiling rooms, and paragoric;" but after all, daily son indeed! Begone you little afterwards keep clear of bankruptcy childish voice that once made glad en—heelless socks—coffee sweeten-an l crime. What is the consequence? music round the heart, and beholds ed with icicles—gutta percha biscuits There are more persons living a single life-are there more leading a vir- beaming eyes-who that has passed coughs, and cholics, rhubarb, aloes, tuous life? It is time for mothers to through the fiery ordeal of separation, misery, &c. Ugh! courage is destructive of the virtue of cious? They teach us many things drollery about the lady's eye and their children; that all the foolish ex- with their artless honesty, and remind of answering that end, tending to forgotten. Little, puzzling question- jacks-happiness, &c. destroy the institution of marriage ers, whose genius often abash and peraltogether.

Ladies, if a young man greets you in a loud, free and hearty tone; if he knows precisely where to put his hands; if he stares you straight in the eye, with mouth wide open; if he tells you who made his coat; if he eats heartily in your presence; if claimed. "The fare to New York is five dollars." in the wheels rolling; keep doing, or fails to be foolish fifty times are and when and when the wheels rolling; keep doing, or fails to be foolish fifty times are and when and when the wheels rolling on—don't stop, hour, then don't fall in love with him for the world! He only admires you, let him be and say what he will.

On the other hand, if he be merry dear person wrapped up when you go The non-plussed functionary stood out in the cold, and talks very low, bellows, looks solemn when you are "Well, if you are freight, take addressed by another gentleman, and in fact is the most still, awkward, But even there Dinah was too yet anxious of all your male friends, "Jus' you pick up your freight if poor fellow too happy for his skin to hold him!

Cutting it Thick.

The Yankees are generally supposed to possess more acuteness than any other people on the face of the globe, yet the following story will show that some of the Germans possess this faculty to a remarkable de-

On one occasion, a German residisease, of your pocket-book. For ding in the country came into Buffalo with hams to sell. Among the rest, he sold a dozen or two to a German hotel keeper, who afterwards, demonstrating the acuteness of his countrymen over the Yankee, said-

"You may talk 'pout your tam Yankees scheeting, but a Dutchman and life had become a burden to her scheeted me much petter as a Yankee never vas. He prings me some hams -dey vas canvass nice, so petter as you never see. I puy one, two dozen, all so nice; and if you pelieve, de scheet vas so magnificent dat I eat six, seven, eight of dem tam hams Fier be like our oldmuid -- sver rea - pefore i found out dey was made of

Children.

Dro yourseye ever rest on a little child; whether in slumber or at play, and not see a natural grace pervading feeling love : its whole attitude? Did you ever know

towns? Once was the time when a many little heads, all looking to the years. ready to be courted at ten years, and flown since he too was enjoying such harp, my rooster, my gentleman." can be taken from school and married play. The person who is so unforay fifteen, and divorced at twenty .- tunate as to dislike children, is de-

But take a real child-lover and gels at winter parties. But Heaven you generally find in them a kind be kind to the poor wretch that mar- and affectionate disposition. and a ries in the fashionable circles. What love of all things beautiful and

We know what the old bachelor how vulgar that would be! What says :- "Sleepless nights, disordered beef? Why, how thoughtless we who that has pets does not expect are-to be sure they will board, or trouble with them? This same old have servants. What are they at bachelor may be perhaps, the owner keep from swooning. mending old clothes? But there we of a dog or two, or perhaps a half are again; the fashions change so of- dozen cats, or something that makes ten that nobody has old clothes but just as much trouble as a child, with the rag men and the paper makers this exception-you can drive the now! What are they at washing animal from you when they grow babies faces and pinning up their troublesome. But in a child you trowsers? And here is our intolera- have a little miniature of yourself, a ble stupidity once more; having chil- being of thought and sense, capable dren is left to the Irish! What lady of high and holy deeds and noble asthinks of having children about her pirations. A little heart that turns now? Or, if she is so unfortunate, in love to you for every kindness, come to a point where young men a little head low in the dust of the hesitate and grow old beford they can grave, and has listened for the last quilts-blue noses-frosty roomsdecide whether they can marry, and time to the loved cadence of the ice in the pitcher-unregenerated linno more forever the light of those -burnt steakknow that the extravagance they en- thinks not with me that they are pre-

> Dodge Co., Wis., April, 1857. Idleness.

as they deserve.

E. M. S.

Never be idle a moment; never stand still, sit still, walk about unhe fails to talk very kindly to your concerned or indifferently. Keep and when you do stop, always have before you a motive for the good and the useful.

Idleness is the bane, the moth, the gangrene, the curse of life. Idleness, lassitude, do-nothingism, fine and fashionable dressing, and novel she drank, she slept, she dressed, she twins.' danced, she died.' Such may truly 'Mad be said to be the history of many make it a rule to believe only half I young men and women of the present hear.' day. They eat, they drink, they sleep they dress, they dance, and at last die, without having accomplished the great purposes of their creation.

Brevity and Business.

If you have anything to say, say it at once, and leave compliments to leisure hours. What would you think of the man who would begin a business letter with all the antiquated formalities, such as "I take my pen in my hand to inform you that we are all enjoying a good degree of health, except myself, who has been affected with rheumatiz; and I send this hopng it may find you enjoying the same blessing." If you have snything to say, especially to the public, say it quickly and as briefly as respectable read long stories now-a-days; they want something fresh, crisp, sharp, and to the point, something that makes them say, "Well, that man is wide-awake, he's up to the age; and going ahead; I'll give him a call." Brevity is not only the soul of wit, but it is also the life of business.

Poverty is like a panther—look it atendily in the face, and it will turn from you.

Cupid.

A love-sick lassie writes to her adored in the following strain of deep

"My dear sweet Ichabod. How a child, however naughty at times, I want to see your big grey eyes. O, the foreign born. Why is it? For a child, however naughty at times, I want to see your big grey eyes. O, the most simple of reasons—the foreign born can afford to get married, ning, loving creature? Did you ev- long absence. I want to see you and and the native born cannot; and this er see a child, even of indifferent feel your heart bump. Oh, sweet must be, so long as our extravagant modes of life continue. In social ish beauty? Perhaps you are an old us get married if you love me, God the Free State settlers by death, or removal fife there never was a people tending to deeper and more destructive social bachelor, or an old maid, and can see to deeper and more destructive social bachelor, or an old maid, and can see the free State settlers by death, or removal from the country was fully determined upon by the men abetting and leading this unnature. corruption-and that is most evident of a child-but are eternally think- hock, you tulip, you onion, you cabcorruption—and that is most evident of a child—but are eternally think- hock, you tulip, you onion, you cab- ural warfare against their brothers, who had from the records of all the courts, ing of the stains left on your Sun- bage. Oh, you sweet owl, you mon- attempted to carve a home from this wild and the columns of all the newspapers—than Americans. Our fathers used to tell of the profligacy of Paris; their children tell of the mysteries of New Zork—a city not far behind any in Europe. And making proper almust be the greatest of misfortunes see you, model of perfection. You heard in our national councils, in warning lowances for size, how far is New to look around the morning table or have been gone this two months, and and denunciation against the wrongs com-York ahead of our other cities and the evening hearth, and count so to me it does seem like a hundred mitted upon the rights of their countrymen

wife was a "help meet;" now in one head for counsel and protection. Your dear presence would do me They thought what a "slave's life" it more good than the cooling springs the "meet" to "eat", and make it must be, to be ever toiling to school to the parched traveler of the desert; those young minds, to clothe those more than the pebbled pool to the bodies and provide them food. But wanton duck-yes, more than a lump tion; we have female high schools, female colleges, female medical schools, and female heavens. Our his hope and his pride. He was livgirls are refined, learned, and wise; ing his life over again inseeing those from the dimpled cheeks of your mad little ones growing up around him .- love. Oh, bleak and wild is the paint, talk French and Italian, and He was a boy again when he watched house, the garden, the woods, and swamps, or lakes, as in many of the new all the soft languages, write poetry, his boys at their healthful sports, the world, without thee. Oh, yes, and love like Venuses. They are and thought how swiftly time has bless, thee, my dumplin, my jews-

> Will you have a Daily Sun?' said a news boy to Mrs. Parting-

"Will I have a daily son! Why have a daily son! My poor dear man used to complain awfully when I presented him with a yearly son. A upstart imp!' and the old woman

be your wedded wife?" asked an Illinois magistrate of the masculine of a couple that stood up before him.

"Wall, squire, you must be a tarnal green hand to ask me such a question as that ar. Do you think that I'd be such a plaguey fool as to go to the bar hunt and take this ar gal from the quiltin' frolic, if I wasen't honserip-

SINGLE BLESSEDNESS .- Sheet-iron

MATRIMONY .- Hot buck wheat cakes -warm beds-comfortable slippers -smoking coffee-round arms-red penditures making to rush their us of many things, which we in our lips-etc., etc.,-shirts exulting in penditures making to rush their us of many things, which we in our lips—etc., etc.,—shirts exulting in lis all taken by actual settlers, who reside on daughters to matrimony are, instead headlong career, have outgrown and buttons—redeemed stockings—boot the ground. Claims with timber can be

> Just so .-- A young buck of the soap plex the older brains. Oh, ye who lock order lately accosted a Yankee yet retain your darlings, prize them at one of our hotels as follows:-I say; fellow, some people say I am a Frenchman and some take me for an Etaylene-now what do you think I am?' 'Why, I think you're a d---d fool,' replied Jonathan.

Lizzie,' said a curly headed boy of some five years, 'isn't Sam Slade a buster ?" 'Why, Charley ?'

Because the grammar says, posidid see him give you such a positive can be made at a cost of about forty cents ; buss.'

Lizzie fainted.

HALF A REPORT,-'How this world reading have ruined more young men is given to slander!' said a maiden to and women, than war, pestilence and an English nobleman. 'Can your famine. It is said truly of one, that lordship believe it -- some of my mapassed away from earth, "She ate, licious acquaintances say that I had

'Madame,' replied his lordship, 'I

This is a lively world. The slow coaches of old days won't answer now. There is no lukewarmness in life. A man must either make a

"Sal," cried a girl looking out of the upper-story window of a small grocery, and addressing another girl who was trying to enter at the front door, "we've all been converted, so when you want milk on Sun lays you will have to come in the back way."

Prayer night and morningregular as a clock. The big book is opened, the harp tuned, every knee bows, from the least to the greatestlanguage will permit, People don't all is hush, still, solemn, fervent, interesting ! Hush as heaven, joyful

A Western poet witnessed a pugalistic encounter, which he thus immortalized :

And Isane pitched into hym ; And hym pitched into he; The way they fytte it was a sin, And horrybel to see ! PRAIRIE CIT KANZAS TERRITORY.

he settlement of Kanzas will be read in The settlement of Rangas The terrors of her political history for the first two years will not astonish the future much more than her material prosperity and rapid settlement that so immediately succeeded the restoration of peace. The period of her fraternal civil war, for two years, was marked with greater brutality and danger

The immigration into the Territory this spring with the large amount of capital, and the consequent rise of property, the founding and building up of new towns, is as natural as the former period was unnat-

All the land of Eastern Kanzas, for 100 miles back, is soon to be occupied, not excepting many of the Indian Reservations.

The mania for town property, like a prairie fire, is now sweeping over the land. Many of these towns are only to have an existence on paper, with perhaps a location. States of the West; for swamps and lakes do not exist in Kanzas.

Many of these towns are to possess real life, and investments made in them are des tined to yield a most bountiful return. These towns are located in different parts of the territory, and the eye of the sagacious speculator will soon discover them. With the map of Kanzas in his hand, he will readily decide in his mind the lines that you little scapegrace! How dare you are to be the great commecrial arteries of the insinuate against a lone woman from country, through which are to ebb and flow home! No indeed I guess I won't the business of the country, and carry to the still farther west, the civilization and settlement that is now flowing in here.

PRAIRIE CITY

Is situated in the new Santa Fe road, forty-five miles west of Kanzas City, and fif-teen miles south of Lawrence. The comcalled for the old turkey-tail fan to merce of New Mexico will soon be carried through this city, in wagons, each drawn by five or six pair of oxen or mules, carrying Will you take this woman to from four to six thousand pounds, and in trains of from ten to fifty wagons; making the distance of nine hundred miles in drives of from ten to twenty miles each day. Passing through the town are roads running from Lawrence to Osawatomie, Peoria, Paola, Ohio City, Stauton, and all points in the Neosho and Pottawatomie country, which have an immense travel.

The location of PRAIRIE City is not equalled-certainly not surpassed-by any point on this road, at all suitable for a town. It turously sartin and determined to sloping to the South, with a prominent bluff don't she put them with wet nurses to begin with, and boarding schools afbegin with, and boarding schools afare precious—and who that has laid

turously sartin and determined to have her. Drive on with your business, and don't ax foolish questions."

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have her. Drive on with your business, and don't ax foolish questions." most enchanting scenery of the 'Italy of America;" in spraking of which, the Rev. John Pierpont said, "God mour make a lovelier country, but it is very certain that lovelier. Mrs E. F. Ellis, Mrs Annie E. Porter, Mrs Nichols, Miss A. T. Wil-America;" in speaking of which, the Rev. John Pierpost said, "God MIGHT make a he never HAS.

Bordering on the northern and southern extremities of the town are branches of the year. Ottawa creek, thus supplying it with an

Both of these streams are lined with timber, from a quarter to a mile in breadth. The black walnut and the burr oak are the prevailing varieties, interspersed with blackberry, hickory; etc ; there is no pine or hemlock in Eastern Kanzas. This timber bought at this time, from five to fifteen hundred dollars.

PRAIRIE.

As fine prairie as there is in this country, lies round about in this region. And many claims can yet be had within three, or four miles of the town.

There is a sufficient quantity of timber to supply the reasonable wants of the farmers, and for town purposes. And timber grows very fast in this country ; the Locust can be grown from the seed in three or four years, sufficiently large for fence posts.

FENCING.

A claim can hardly be found without tive buss, comparative buster, and I sufficient stone on the same to fence red. This kind of fence would think, the most available to start with; the Osage Orange will give protection to crops in about four years from the seed.

STONE.

We have the best of building stone on the town site in great abundance. The cost of quarrying and hauling is about three dollars a cord. Lime and sand can be had at cheap rates, and in any quantities.

WATER.

In this respect, we think, Prairie City has the advantage over many other towns in the country. While water, as a rule, is abundant, and of a good quality in the Territory, still it is of a better quality and more easi-ly obtained in some localities than others. We think every citizen can have good wastir or a noise, or hang his harp on the willow. If you want to go ahead, let the world know it; and they will help you along.

The in his yard at an expense of from ten to twenty dollars. This, it will be acknowledged, is a desideratum of greater value than almost any thing else. It must be a great draw-back to a town, where all the water is brought from a spring or healed. water is brought from a spring, or hauled from the river, or obtained by digging from fifty to eighty feet to obtain it.

EDUCATIONAL ADVANTAGES We can truthfully say that in no part of Kanzas Territory are the people so blessed with educational privileges as the people of this section. On "Liberty Hill," within the city site, is now being erected a Saminary, which is designed for four teachers. When completed it will be two stories in hight, aurmounted with an ornamented cupola. The M. E. Church (North) have located and design seem to company are to oupois. The M. E. Church (North) have located and design soon to commence erecting a University within three miles of here, which, when completed, will be the largest one west of the Mississippi river. With these facts in consideration, people in the States can have no grounds for heattating to remove here for fear of debarring their children from educational privileges.

PRAIRIE CITY.

Is fairly under way, with more improve-ments and better prospects than any other town on this great middle thoroughfare, Such is our position, that we defy success-ful competition. Our main street already has a business appearance, and several

buildings are now in process of erection. No place in the Territory will make greater returns to the capitalists for moneys invested than will Prairie City

TO MECHANICS.

No class is needed here more than me-chanics. The most liberal inducements are offered them by the Association. One, two, and three lots are donated to them-according to the occupation pursued and the amount invested in improvements. Mechanical occupations of every description can be followed here with great safety, affording harvests of profits to the engagers. Families emigrating from the States generally leave their household goods behind to avoid paying the exhorbitant freightage up the Missouri, and consequently they rely upon the Territory for a re-fitout. Thus it will be seen that the demand for everything indispensable for housekeeping must necessarily be great.
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Marrio Harlan, suther of "Alone" and "Hidden Path" will also contribute during Mrs. A. B. Neal, commenced in the Janu-

ary number, and will coatinue in every numa story of domestic nature. Trials of an English Housekeeper, continued; also. Carolina Backwoods Sketch-

bur, Rev. Hastings Weld and W. Gilmore Simms, Esq. will all contribute during the

giving an idea of our intentions for 1857 :- in short Godey's Lady's Book, will possess the interest of any other three Magazines. TERMS :- CASH IN AD-

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